

The most preferable working point investigation of the serial-serial system of wireless energy transfer in term of high efficiency

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Abstract—The efficiency is the most important factor which is to maximized during the wireless energy transfer system development but also at the other electronics devices. Therefore this article deals with the most suitable working point analysis of such a system. The center of the article contains the experimental measurements on the existing sample and consequently comparison with the results from the simulation analysis

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I. INTRODUCTION (HEADING I)

The market for electric cars is small. The market for these systems with contactless charging (wireless energy transfer WET) is even smaller.

A very important parameter of the WET system is the efficiency of the entire charging system. The efficiency should be as large as possible and should correspond to the efficiency value of contact charging systems. Current cable charging systems achieve 97.5% efficiency at 240V supply voltage and 95% at 120V supply voltage. Additional specific features of WET system should be flexible adaptation of distance for power transfer and misalignment of transmitter and receiver platform. The reason is that each electric vehicle model has a different ride height and just as it is not always possible to park the vehicle completely symmetrically so that the receiving platform is located perfectly symmetrically with transmitting platform. All of these demands can be influenced via several parameters. The parameters are a way of compensation circuit wiring, the resonant frequency, the switching frequency, the geometric shape of coils, the parasitic resistance of coils, the coils inductance and the resulting mutual inductance. Mentioned variables are the most important parameters that need to be in the process of system development and optimization in focus.

Irrespective of the application area, can be said that the main common features of these systems should be:

- The high efficiency of contactless energy transfer system ($> 85\%$).

- Achievement of the middle transfer distances (up to 1 m), while maintaining high efficiency ($> 85\%$).
- Transfer of power at middle levels (from 1 kW – 3 kW).

In this article we will focus on the analysis of WET system in circuitry with serial compensation of series resonant circuit. Main emphasis will be on investigation of the transfer characteristics in terms of the size of the transferred power, efficiency, and transfer distance.

II. WET SYSTEM WITH SERIAL COMPENSATION

Serial compensation of primary and secondary side (Fig. 1.) securing the ideal characteristic properties for this system. To the main properties belongs the voltage gain, efficiency and the shape of the transfer characteristic. The simulation analysis proved as that the remaining basic topological solutions of this system are not ideal because they are characteristics thereby that with increasing the distance between the coils the efficiency of the system sharply falls. Their characteristic of efficiency and transferred energy dependency is comparable with inductive WET system.

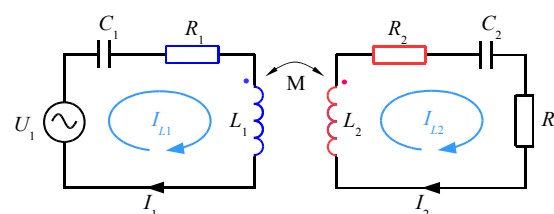


Figure 1. Equivalent circuit of WET with series-series resonant compensation

The external capacitors C_1 and C_2 are connected to the primary and the secondary coil in series. Therefore the resonant tank acts as a band-pass filter with relatively good selectivity. Considering the equivalent circuit (Fig. 1), it is possible to assemble a system of two linear equations with two unknowns (1).

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{U}_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R_1 + j\left(\omega L_1 - \frac{1}{\omega C_1}\right) & -j\omega M \\ -j\omega M & R_2 + R_L + j\left(\omega L_2 - \frac{1}{\omega C_2}\right) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{I}_{L1} \\ \dot{I}_{L2} \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

The parameters R_1 and R_2 represents the DC resistance of the wire from which is mounted the coils L_1 and L_2 . Next the parameter M represents the mutual inductance, which is created between the coils L_1 and L_2 close together.

The solution of this system results in the formula for the size of the output power (2) and the efficiency (3) depending on the distance between the transmitting and the receiving portion of the system (size of mutual inductance). The important parameter in term of the control is the angle of the phase shift between the primary voltage and current (4).

$$P_{OUT} = R_L |\dot{I}_2|^2 = R_L \left| \frac{-j\omega M}{(R_1 + j\omega L_1)(R_2 + R_L + j\omega L_2) + (\omega M)^2} \dot{U}_1 \right|^2 \quad (2)$$

$$\eta = \frac{P_{OUT}}{P_{IN}} \quad (3)$$

$$\varphi = \arctg \frac{X_L - X_C}{R} \quad (4)$$

By mentioned relations it is possible to graphically interpret the transfer characteristic of the WET system.

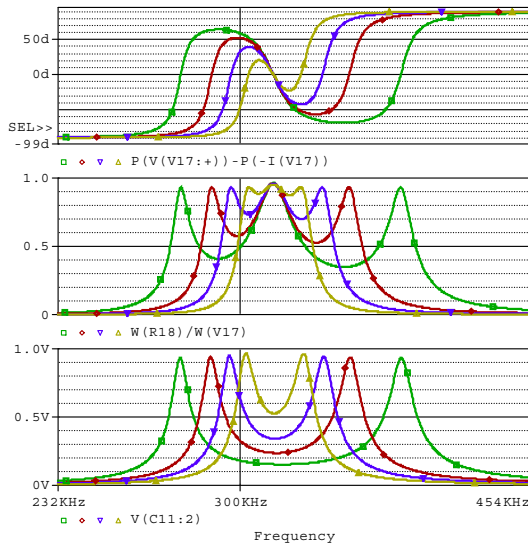


Figure 2. Equivalent Transfer characteristic of S-S compensated WET circuit for various mutual inductances (i. e. various distances between coils): phase shift between U_{in} and I_{in} characteristic (upper graph), efficiency characteristic (middle graph) and voltage transfer (lower graph)

For optimum operation of the charging of electromobility applications should be valid this condition:

- Maximum efficiency at the same time with maximum performance

From mentioned characteristics the optimal working points can be defined. The most suitable working points, as it can be seen from the graph, are the lateral maxima of the efficiency curve. This maxima or resonant frequencies arise from the influence of the mutual inductance and amount of the load on the secondary receiver coil.

III. OPTIMAL WORKING AREAS (FREQUENCIES) DEFINITION FOR WET SYSTEM.

To define the most suitable working area, the simulation analysis in the frequency domain in the OrCad – Pspice. Values of single components are as follows: the transferring and receiving coil inductance is 127,8uH, the value of the compensation capacitors is 2nF and the value of the load is 12ohm. Value of resonance frequency is equal to 315kHz.

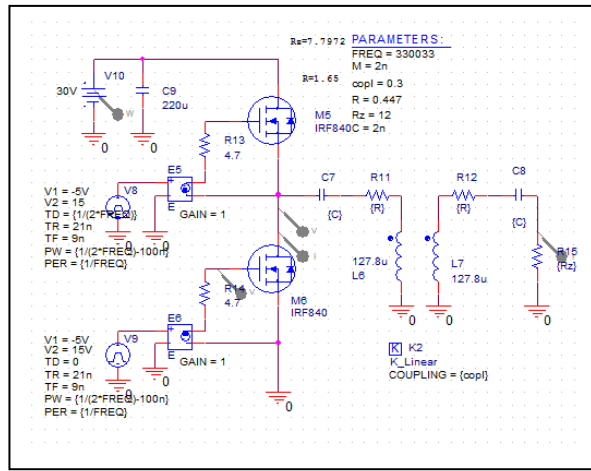


Figure 3. Scheme of the WET system intended for analysis in the time straight

Graph (Fig. 4.) illustrates the phase shift, efficiency and voltage transfer dependency on frequency by the various distances or various coupling coefficient „ k “. The lateral maxima of frequencies were found out by the system frequency analysis from the phase shift graph. In these working points (frequencies), the phase shift between the input current and the voltage is equal to „0“ degrees. That means that current and the voltage is in the phase. The circuit is supplied with harmonic voltage 1Vpp.

- Green curve: $k=0,3076$ $d=10\text{cm}$
- Red curve: $k=0,1995$ $d=15\text{cm}$
- Blue curve: $k=0,1382$ $d=20\text{cm}$
- Yellow curve: $k=0,0891$ $d=25\text{cm}$

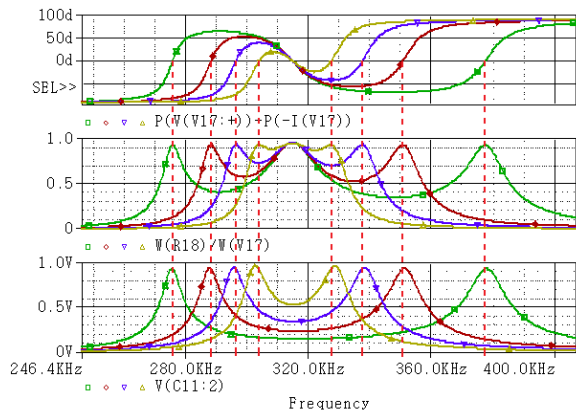


Figure 4. Phase shift, efficiency and voltage gain frequency curves with demarcated lateral maxima, which are hypotetic the most preferable working points.

Founded frequencies with the various vales of coupling coefficient are further used for the circuit time analysis. From the curves of power losses of tranzistor it is determined which working points are the most suitable in term of efficiency.

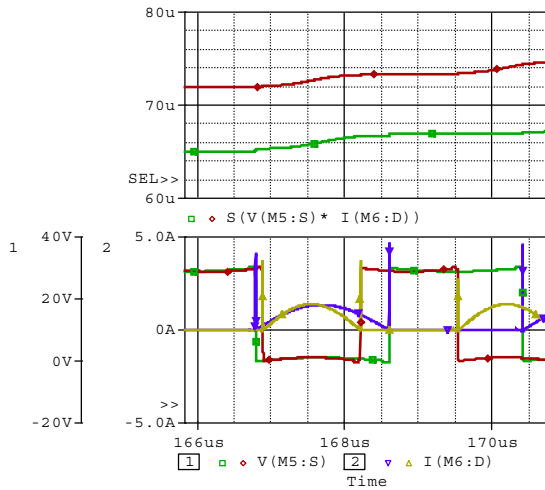


Figure 5. Power loss curves on the tranzistor at the $k=0,3076$, distance of the coils $d=10\text{cm}$, $f_r=275827\text{Hz}$ and 377540Hz $p_d=1,856\mu$ $p_h=1,407\mu$ $E_d=0,5144\text{J}$ $E_h=0,5312\text{J}$.

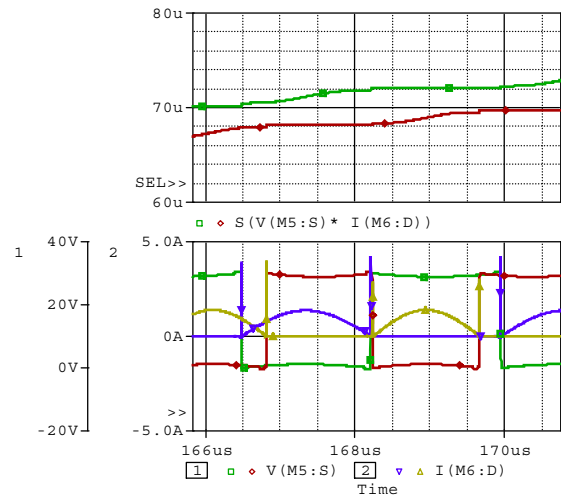


Figure 6. Power loss curves on the tranzistor at the $k=0,199$, distance of the coils $d=15\text{cm}$, $f_r=288359\text{Hz}$ and 350738Hz $p_d=1,878\mu$ $p_h=1,523\mu$ $E_d=0,5415\text{J}$ $E_h=0,5342\text{J}$.

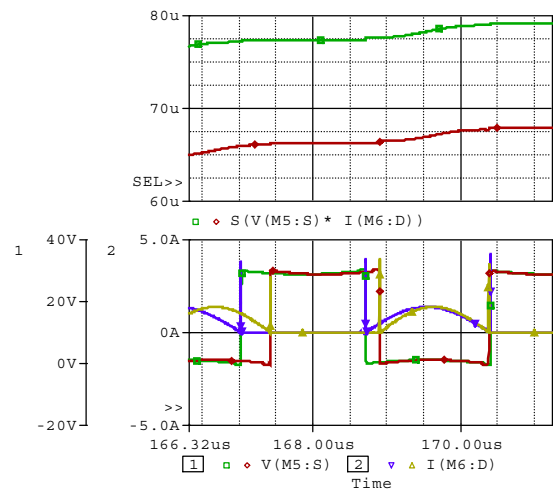


Figure 7. Power loss curves on the tranzistor at the $k=0,1382$, distance of the coils $d=20\text{cm}$, $f_r=296394\text{Hz}$ and 337516Hz $p_d=1,829\mu$ $p_h=1,605\mu$ $E_d=0,5425\text{J}$ $E_h=0,5417\text{J}$.

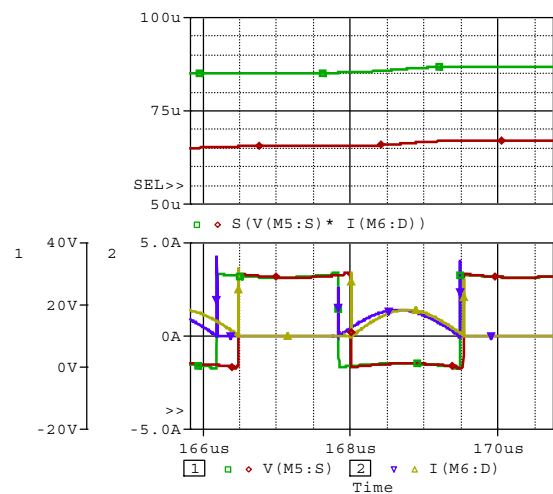


Figure 8. Power loss curves on the tranzistor at the $k=0,0891$, distance of the coils $d=25\text{cm}$, $f_r=303900\text{Hz}$ and 327406Hz $p_d=1,513\mu$ $p_h=1,436\mu$ $E_d=0,4598\text{J}$ $E_h=0,47\text{J}$.

From the curves shown above, it can be seen that the whole power losses on the transistor working on lateral maxima of the efficiency characteristic are approximately identical. In the case of increasing distance it can be observed, that it is works better on that maximum characteristic which has higher frequency.

IV. EXPERIMENTAL VERIFICATION OF SIMULATED RESULTS

Before the experimental verification, the physical sample was set up, which is equivalent to the simulation model of WET system in OrCad. Consequently, from the frequency analysis the frequencies, in which there are the efficiency maxima by the various values of the coupling coefficient, were found out.

TABLE I. FREQUENCIES OF THE LATERAL MAXIMA BY THE VARIOUS VALUES OF THE COUPLING COEFFICIENT INTENDED FROM FREQUENCY ANALYSIS OF WET SYSTEM

distance [cm]	Frequency of lower maximum[kHz]	Frequency of upper maximum [kHz]
5	249,455	494,939
10	275,827	377,54
15	288,359	350,738
20	296,394	337,516
25	303,9	327,406
30	309,348	320,969

These frequencies were then used by the analysis of the system in the time domain together with appertaining values of coupling coefficient. The results of this analysis are shown in the table (Tab. 2.).

TABLE II. THE RESULTS OBTAINED FROM SIMULATION IN TIME DOMAIN DESIGNED SYSTEM OF WET BY THE OPTIMAL WORKING POINTS OPERATION.

d [cm]	P _{outfd} [W]	P _{outh} [W]	η_{fd} [%]	η_{fh} [%]
5	10,4	11,39	82,8	84,6
10	10,39	11,25	83	84,3
15	10,4	11,2	83,4	84
20	10,99	11,2	83,2	83,8
25	11	11,29	84,05	84,3
30	11,15	11,37	83,2	83,5

The calculated and simulated results were verified on proposed functional prototype of WET system.

TABLE III. THE RESULTS OBTAINED FROM MEASUREMENT ON PHYSICAL SAMPLE OF WET SYSTEM BY THE OPTIMAL WORKING POINTS OPERATION..

d [cm]	P _{outfd} [W]	P _{outh} [W]	η_{fd} [%]	η_{fh} [%]	fd [kHz]	fh [kHz]
5	15,35	12,075	82,75	83,88	254,5	479,42
10	13,85	12,981	83,97	86,57	276,2	388,1
15	13,1	12,54	85,32	87,11	289,8	355,6
20	10,05	10,281	77,33	85,7	299,5	339,2
25	11,45	14,248	84,84	83,575	305	333,1
30	12,15	17,680	82,68	83,036	307,8	327,7

V. CONCLUSION

When comparing the results of the efficiency and transferred power from (Tab. II) and (Tab. III), it can be pointed out that the results of measuring and simulation are relatively well corresponding. Inaccuracies which arise were probably caused by using another type of transistor in simulation analysis compared to real sample of inverter. The real sample of WET was supplied by development board EPC9003C which contains the synchronous inverter with GaN transistors EPC2010. These transistors have markedly lower resistance on opened state R_{DSon} , which could be one reason of inaccuracies between measuring and simulated results. Inaccuracy of working frequency could be caused mainly by inaccurate distance of coils on the experimental sample as well as by inaccurate calculation of coupling coefficient.

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